Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of said Section 1; and

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Containing 200 acres, more or less. Total acreage of proposed disposal is 320 acres, more or less.

In accordance with Section 206(i)(1) of FLPMA, said land is hereby segregated from appropriation under mining and public laws for a period of five years. This segregation of the public land involved in this disposal shall have no effect on valid existing rights as of the date of such segregation.

Anyone wishing more detailed information concerning the proposed disposal may contact Peter G. Graves, Realty Specialist, Ridgecrest Resource Area, 300 South Richmond Road, Ridgecrest, CA 93555, (760) 384–5429.

Individuals wishing to submit formal comments concerning the proposed disposal must submit those comments to the Area Manager, Ridgecrest Resource Area, at the above address. In order to be considered in the environmental assessment of the proposed disposal, comments must be in writing to the Area Manager and be postmarked or delivered 45 days after initial publication.

Dated: August 14, 1997.

## Greg Thomsen,

Acting Area Manager.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

# **Bureau of Land Management**

[ID-065-07-1430-00; IDI-32323]

Proposed State in Lieu Selection in Clearwater and Benewah Counties, Idaho

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the BLM has examined certain public lands and hereby classifies them suitable for transfer to the State of Idaho via Indemnity School Land Selection. this action is required to provide the state with public lands to settle an entitlement resulting from the origination of statehood. The public land, upon transfer to the state, would be managed by the Idaho Department of Lands for long-term timber management in support of the state's school endowment fund.

DATES: For a period of 45 days from the publication of this notice, interested parties may submit comments regarding the indemnity selection and disposal of the selected public lands to the Area Manager, Cottonwood Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management, Rt. 3, Box 181, Cottonwood, Idaho 83522–9498. Objections will be reviewed by the State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The following described lands have been examined, have been found suitable, and are hereby classified for disposal via indemnity selection by the State of Idaho pursuant to Sections 2275 and 2276, Revised Statutes, as amended (43 U.S.C. 851 and 852). This action is in conformance with the Emerald Empire and Chief Joseph Management Framework Plans, approved November 18, 1981. The land will not be transferred until at least 60 days after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

#### Boise Meridian, Idaho

T. 45 N., R. 2 W.

Sec. 2, SE<sup>1</sup>/4SW<sup>1</sup>/4, SW<sup>1</sup>/4SE<sup>1</sup>/4. Sec. 14, NE<sup>1</sup>/4NE<sup>1</sup>/4, NE<sup>1</sup>/4SW<sup>1</sup>/4.

T. 39 N., R. 2 E.,

Sec. 18, lot 4, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> (less MS 2731).

Sec. 19, lots 1–4, NW¹/4NE¹/4 (less MS 2731), SW¹/4NE¹/4, NE¹/4NW¹/4 (less MS 2731), SE¹/4NW¹/4, E¹/2SW¹/4, NW¹/4SE¹/4.

 $\begin{array}{c} Sec.\ 29,\ S^{1/2}NE^{1/4},\ SE^{1/4}NW^{1/4},\\ E^{1/2}E^{1/2}SW^{1/4},\ W^{1/2}SW^{1/4}. \end{array}$ 

Sec. 30, lots 1 and 2, NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, E1/2SE1/4.

The land described above contains approximately 1,301.22 acres in Clearwater and Benewah Counties, Idaho.

These lands are to be conveyed subject to the following:

Excepting and reserving to the United States:

A right-of-way thereon for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States pursuant to the Act of August 30, 1890 (26 Stat. 291; 43 U.S.C. 945).

This action is in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-205, 87 Stat. 884, 16 U.S.C. 1531), E.O. 11593, National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (80 Stat. 915, 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.), as amended, National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, 83 Stat. 852; 42 U.S.C. 4321), Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (P.L. 94-579, 90 Stat. 2743 Section 102(8)), and Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C. 315, 315a-315r). This land classification meets the criteria in, and is made pursuant to, 43 CFR 2410.1(a)-(d), and 2450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron L. Grant, Realty Specialist, Cottonwood Resource Area, Rte 3, Box 181, Cottonwood, Idaho 83522–9498, (208) 962–3245.

Dated: August 19, 1997.

## Greg M. Yuncevich,

Area Manager.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **National Park Service**

Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement, Nez Perce National Historical Park and Big Hole National Battlefield

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the General Management Plan for Nez Perce National Historical Park and Big Hole National Battlefield.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91–190, as amended), the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, has prepared an abbreviated Final Environmental Impact Statement that responds to comments received on the Draft General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement.

The Draft General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/DEIS) was released for public review on October 15, 1996 (61 FR 200), and the public comment period closed December 11, 1996. During this comment period, seventeen public hearings were held and numerous written comments were also received. The FEIS contains responses to the comments received and modifications to the document as needed in response to the comments. Modifications pertain primarily to proposed site boundaries,